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SUBJ: FOREIGN CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT AND WTDR'S

1. DAVID HEEBNER, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INC, 8400 WESTPORT DRIVE, MCLEAN, VIRGINIA 22101 VISITED EMBASSY IN APRIL AND STATED THAT THE U.S. FOREIGN CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT REQUIRES U.S. FIRMS TO ASCERTAIN REPUTATION OF FOREIGN AGENTS OR PROSPECTIVE AGENTS TO DETERMINE WHETHER AGENT IS KNOWN OR BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN CORRUPT PAYMENTS. HEEBNER REQUESTED AND WAS PERMITTED TO REVIEW THE WTDR OF LOCAL FIRM, SAUDICORP. HE REQUESTED THE EMBASSY TO PROVIDE A STATEMENT CONCERNING CORRUPTION IN ITS WTDR EVALUATION OF THE FIRM. WE COULD NOT HONESTLY ANSWER BUT FIRM IS BELIEVED REPUTABLE.

2. REVIEW OF THE CFRS AVAILABLE AT THIS POST DID NOT PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING THE FOREIGN CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT. DOES THE ACT REQUIRE SUCH DETERMINATION IF SO, POST WOULD APPRECIATE ADVICE OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE LEGALSTAFF AS TO ROLE OF WTDR REPORTING IN THIS RESPECT.

3. WE ARE CURRENTLY REPORTING ON THE LOCAL BUSINESS REPUTATION OF SAUDI FIRMS AND RECOMMEND ONLY WHETHER FIRM, AS FAR AS WE KNOW, IS A SUITABLE CONTACT OR NOT.

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